

The regular monthly meeting of the Church Council for the month of April was held on Tuesday, April 6, 1954. Those present were F. Hutchinson, A. Witzke, W. Bark, Jr., E. Jones, H. Jenkins, H. Smit, J. Will, G. Hammerbacher, F. Gross, F. Long, G. Hoffmann, and A. Fader. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Rev. Lehmann.

The reading of the March minutes were read and approved. The Financial Secretary submitted his monthly report to the Council Board and it was read, approved, and accepted, and a copy is herewith contained in these minutes.

Envelope Committee

The new envelopes for the year of 1955 have been ordered as per instructions from that committee.

Charity Committee

The Charity Committee reported no request for assistance. There was a balance of \$134.63 reported by the said committee. The committee has transferred \$100.00 of this amount to the General Fund for safekeeping.

Music Committee

The Social Evening sponsored by the Music Committee was very successful. The Music Committee is to contact Mr. Pankhanel to see whether the organ fee for Friday, April 2, 1954, should be paid by the Church. The music committee has the sanction of the Church Council to pay Mrs. Whitliff the sum of \$10.00 if necessary.

Canvas Committee

The Canvas Committee reported progress. A more detail report is to follow.

Calander Committee

The Calander Committee requested permission which was asked by the Youth Fellowship to hold a bake sale on Good Friday. A. Witzke made the motion that the date be approved. This motion seconded by Albert Fader, Sr. Motion duly carried by Council Board.

Finance Committee

On a motion made by Ernest Jones and seconded by Albert Fader, Sr. it was decided to draw the Savings Account Balance in the Baltimore Federal Savings and Loan Association down to \$9,500.00 after July 1, 1954. This date was arrived upon because the interest will then be credited to the said Savings Account for the first six months of the year 1954. The motion was duly carried by the entire Council Board.

Upon a motion by Ernest Jones and also seconded by Albert Fader, Sr. it was decided to open a Savings Account at the Union Trust Company. The motion was duly carried.

Property Committee

After much discussion it was purposed that locks be put on all interior doors of the Sunday School Hall. The price of the locks to be about \$174.32. The locks and installation costs to amount to about \$225.00 to \$275.00. Upon a motion by George Hoffman, seconded by H. Smit it was decided to purchase the above locks and to have them installed as soon as possible. Upon vote by the Council Board the motions were carried by a vote of 9 to 3.

Religious Education

The attendance at Sunday School for the preceeding week was 560. There are a total of 72 teachers. Sunday School attendance about 68% to 65%.

Upon a request made by Rev. Lehmann it was decided to employ an instructor for Vacation Bible School. This motion was made by A. Witzke and seconded by George Hammerbacher. Motion duly carried by entire Board.

The business of the New Church Building was then the next item of business taken up by the Council Board. Mr. Fred Gross then read the letter from the firm of F. L. W. Moehle and Associates, copy of letter is herewith contained in the minutes. After much discussion, the Church Council, decided to call a Special Congregational Meeting for Friday, April 23, 1954, for the purpose of placing the aforesaid letter before the congregation so that they might give the Church Council the authorization to spend \$388.50 for a preliminary study of what a New Church might cost.

This motion was made by F. Hutchinson and seconded by E. Jones. The motion was duly carried.

At the same time it was decided to send letters to the heads of the various church organizations requesting them to appoint two Church Members to serve as representatives on a Building Committee to be formed at this Congregational meeting. This was duly carried out by your recording secretary. A copy of these letters are now contained in the Minute Book.

A chairman for the Picnic Committee was then appointed by President Fred Gross. Mr. Ernest Jones was selected as Chairman. The Picnic to be held at Maryland Beach on July 21, 1954.

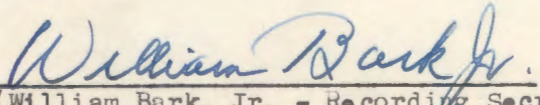
The following were taken in as new Envelope Members:

Mr. & Mrs. H. Eckes -	3319 Mueller Street	Baltimore, Md.
Mr. Raymond Inscoe	Loch Raven Bldv.	" "

Upon motion made by Albert Witzke and seconded by Frank Hutchinson, the above envelope members were duly admitted.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,


(William Bark, Jr. - Recording Secretary)